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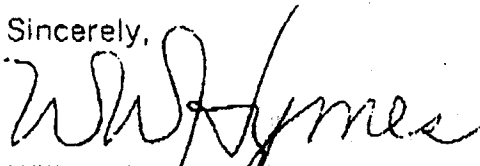
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Dear Ms. Hesse:

Let's finalize the Microsoft settlement as proposed. I am opposed to the government "pursuing extensive remedies" after finally agreeing to a settlement. The government should find other things to do besides trying to destroy Microsoft.

Sincerely,



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